

Kings River East Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

City of Dinuba – Council Chambers
405 East El Monte Way, Dinuba, CA 93618
July 18, 2019

1. **Call to Order:** The Regular Board Meeting of the Kings River East Groundwater Sustainability Agency was called to order by Chairman Ernest “Buddy” Mendes at 2:02 p.m. and the following directors were present, Alta Irrigation District, Jack Brandt, Ag Production, Steve Boos, Drinking Water Districts, Fernie Rubalcaba, and Cities, Mary Fast. Directors absent were Tulare County, Eddie Valero and Irrigation/Water Districts, David Brown. Also, in attendance Alta Irrigation District, General Manager Chad Wegley, Operations Manager Marc Limas, Resource Analyst Luis Rios, and Attorney Doug B. Jensen
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mary Fast commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Potential Conflicts of Interest:** None.
4. **Public Comment:** Michael Prado, Sr. of Sultana Community Services District requested KREGSA issue a letter of support for the Sultana and Munson Storm Water Project.
5. **Communications:** None.
6. **Board of Director Reports:** Mary Fast commented the Upper Kings Water Management Authority voted to support the Sultana and Munson Storm Water Project and the East Orsi Well Project.
7. **Consent Calendar Items** – It was M/S/C unanimously by Brandt/Boos (Valero and Brown absent) to approve the consent calendar as presented.
 - 7.1. Payables – Review and approve payment of June 2019 invoices (see Insert 7.1)
 - 7.2. Board Meeting Minutes – Review and approve minutes of June 20, 2019 regular Board meeting.
8. **Other Board Items – Take Action**
 - 8.1. Treasurer’s Statement – Board of Directors reviewed the Treasurer’s statement for the period ending June 30, 2019 and then it was M/S/C unanimously by Rubalcaba/Brandt (Valero and Brown absent) to accept the Treasurer’s report. (see Insert 8.1)
 - 8.2. Grant Reimbursements – The second reimbursement of approximately \$30,000 from the Prop 1 grant was received in July with the third reimbursement already submitted to DWR. The fourth reimbursement has been submitted to KRCD for processing.
 - 8.3. Letter of Support – It was M/S/C unanimously by Fast/Brandt (Valero and Brown absent) to add a letter of support for the East Orsi Well Project to the Agenda. It was then, M/S/C unanimously by Rubalcaba/Brandt (Valero and Brown absent) to issue letters of support subject to legal review for both the Sultana and Munson Storm Water Project and the East Orsi Well Project.
9. **Groundwater Sustainability Activities – Review for Possible Action**

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- 9.1. GSA Invoices – To date approximately eighty-eight percent (88%) has been collected of 2019 fees and eighty-five percent (85%) has been collected of 2018 fees.
- 9.2. Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) – General Manager Wegley reviewed the SGMA procedure timeline memorandum provided by Baker Manock & Jensen. Also, General Manager Wegley reported that DWR has two years to comment on the GSP once submitted. The draft KREGSA GSP schedule was reviewed providing for submittal to DWR in early January 2020. Also, General Manager Wegley reviewed new operations within Alta Irrigation District that are helping with surface water utilization to make KREGSA sustainable.

10. Legal Issues – Review for Possible Action: Attorney Jensen reported on bills introduced this legislative session.

11. Future Agenda Item(s): Draft chapters of GSP.

12. Adjournment: There being no further items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Ernest “Buddy” Mendes at 2:55 p.m., until the next regular scheduled meeting on August 15, 2019.

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Signed: _____

Jack Brandt, Secretary

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